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SUBJ: PRESS CONFERENCE BY GENERAL SPINOLA AND POLICY

PROGRAM OF

NEW GOVERNMENT

1. EARLY APRIL 26 GENERAL SPINOLA HELD FIRST NEWS CONFERENCE OF JUNTA OF NATIONAL SALVATION IN LISBON ENGINEER'S HEADQUARTERS, WHICH NOW JUNTA'S COMMAND POST. REPRESENTATIVES OF PORTUGUESE AND INTERNATIONAL PRESS IN ATTENDANCE. AFTER SHORT STATEMENT OF THANKS TO PRESS FOR SUPPORT RENDERED MOVEMENT, SPINOLA ANSWERED QUESTIONS. LATER JUNTA REPRESENTATIVE READ STATEMENT OUTLINING DETAILS OF JUNTA PROGRAM.

2. AFTER SAYING DGS WOULD IN FUTURE ACT IN MANNER NOT BRINGING FURTHER PUBLIC CENSURE, SPINOLA SAID OVERSEAS POLICY WILL DEPEND ON "CONSENSUS OF COUNTRY". SAID THOMAZ AND CAETANO HAD ALREADY DEPARTED BY AIR

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FOR MADEIRA. REGARDING FOREIGN POLICY, HE SAID IT

WILL BE OPEN TO "EVOLUTIONARY SOLUTIONS" FOR THE PROGRESS OF A PLURICONTINENTAL PORTUGAL. RELATIONS WITH SPAIN WILL BE IMPROVED, HE PREDICTED, BY NEW ORIENTATION OF REGIME. SAID PRESS FREEDOM COVERED IN FOLLOWING PRESS STATEMENT.

3. SPINOLA CALLED PORTUGUESE CITIZENS "MAGNIFICENT" FOR THEIR REACTIONS TO THE MOVEMENT, AND SAID HE KNEW OF NO VICTIMS, NOTING THAT SHOTS FIRED DURING REVOLT WERE SPORADIC AND NOT SUSTAINED.

4. ASKED WHETHER THE SOCIALIST PARTY OR THE CDE WILL BE LEGALIZED, SPINOLA REPLIED THAT IT APPEARED THEY WOULD BE. SAID DGS (POLITICAL POLICE) WOULD BE ABOLISHED IN METROPOLE, BUT SUGGESTED THAT DGS FORCES ENGAGED MILITARILY OVERSEAS WOULD CONTINUE TO FUNCTION.

5. SPINOLA NOTED THAT THE MOVEMENT IS COLLECTIVE EFFORT OF ARMED FORCES, WITH NO SINGLE LEADER. THE MOVEMENT, HE REMARKED, IS NOT NOW CONSIDERING MAKING CONTACT WITH LEADERS OF GUERILLA MOVEMENTS. SAID JUNTA WILL RELEASE ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS EXCEPT THOSE WHICH HAVE ALSO COMMITTED ORDINARY CRIMES.

6. AFTER PRESS CONFERENCE DETAILED PROGRAM OF FIEA WAS READ AND GIVEN JOURNALISTS. PROGRAM DIVIDED INTO IMMEDIATE MEASURES, SHORT TERM MEASURES, AND FINAL GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS. JUNTA WILL HOLD POWER FOR A SHORT TIME UNTIL PROVISIONAL CIVILIAN GOVERNMENT IS FORMED. PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT OF PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT WILL BE CHOSEN BY MEMBERS OF JUNTA.

7. JUNTA WILL DECREEE THAT PREVIOUS PRESIDENT OF REPUBLIC, CABINET MINISTERS, NATIONAL ASSEMBLY AND COUNCIL OF STATE DISCHARGED. WITHIN 12 MONTHS CONSTITUENT NAIONAL ASSEMBLY WILL BE ELECTED BY DIRECT UNIVERSAL SUFFRAGE AND SECRET VOTE, ACCORDING TO ELECTORAL LAW TO BE ELABORATED BY PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT.

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8. ALL CIVIL GOVERNORS IN METROPOLE, ADJACENT ISLAND AND GOVERNORS-GENERAL OF OVERSEAS PROVINCES ARE DISCHARGED, AND ANP (ACCAO NACIONAL POLULAR) ABOLISHED. OVERSEAS GOVERNORS GENERAL ARE REPLACED FOR INTERIM PERIOD BY RESPECTIVE SECRETARIES GENERAL.

9. DGS, PORTUGUESE LEGION AND POLITICAL YOUTH MOVEMENTS (PRESUMABLY MOCIDADE PORTUGUESA) ABOLISHED, DGS

OVERSEAS TO BE REORGANIZED AS POLICE FORCE TO PROVIDE
OPERATIONAL MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

10. INDIVIDUALS ACCUSED OF CRIMES AGAINST "POLITICAL ORDER" WILL, FOR JUNTA'S LIFE, BETRIED BY MILITARY COURTS. RIGOROUS CONTROL OF ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL

OPERATIONS WITH OTHER COUNTRIES WILL BE INSTITUTED.
ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS ARE IMMEDIATELY AMNESTIED
(EXCEPT THOSE WHO ARE ALSO COMMON LAW CRIMINALS) AND
PUBLIC SERVANTS PREVIOUSLY DISMISSED FOR POLITICAL
MOTIVES WILL BE GIVEN BACK JOBS.

11. CENSORSHIP ABOLISHED, BUT TEMPORARY AD HOC COMMITTEE
WILL BE ESTABLISHED TO REGULATE PRESS, RADIO, TV, THEATER
AND CINEMA, TO SAFEGUARD MILITARY SECRETS AND AVOID
PROVOCATION BY "REACTIONARIES". COMMITTEE, WHICH WILL
REPORT DIRECTLY TO JUNTA, WILL ACT UNTIL PROVISIONAL
GOVERNMENT ENACTS NEW PRESS LAWS.

12. VARIOUS NEAR-TERM MEASURES ARE ENVISAGED FOR
PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT. WITHIN THREE WEEKS, JUNTA WILL
CHOOSE FROM AMONG IS MEMBERS PROVISIONAL PRESIDENT OF
REPUBLIC WHO WILL HAVE FUNCTIONS SIMILAR TO THOSE OF
PRESIDENT IN PRESENT CONSTITUTION. REMAININR MEMBERS
OF JUNTA WILL TAKE POSITIONS OF CHIEFS OF STAFFS OF
THREE SERVICES, AND CHIEF AND VICE CHIEF OF STAFF OF
ARMED FORCES. ALL WILL FORM PART OF (NEW) COUNCIL OF
STATE.

13. ONCE THE PROVISIONAL PRESIDENT IS SELECTED, HE WILL
NAME PROVISIONAL CIVILIAN GOVERNMENT COMPOSED OF
PERSONS REPRESENTATIVE OF POLITICAL GROUPS AND CURRENTS,
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AS WELL
AS INDEPENDENTS WHO AGREE WITH JUNTA PROGRAM.
AFTER SELECTION PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT, JUNTA WILL
CONTINUE IN ORDER TO SAFEGUARD ITS AVOWED GOALS. WHEN
NEW CONSTITUTION WRITTEN, PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT WILL
BE REPLACED BY ELECTED PRESIDENT AND NATIONAL ASSEMBLY.

14. PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT WILL RULE BY DECREE LAWS,
BUT MAJOR REFORMS WILL BE TAKEN UP BY FUTURE CONSTITUENT
ASSEMBLY. PROVISIONAL
GOVERNMENT WILL PROMULGATE
MEASURES TO GUARANTEE FREEDOM OF ASSOCIATION. POLITICAL
ASSOCIATIONS, NUCLEI OF FUTURE POLITICAL PARTIES, WILL
BE PERMITTED, AND LABOR UNION ACTIVITY, IN ACCORD
SPECIAL LAWS TO BE ESTABLISHED, WILL BE ALLOWED.

15. PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT WILL FOSTER FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION AND THOUGHT, REGARDLESS OF FORM, AND WILL PASS NEW PRESS LAW. IT WILL ALSO PASS MEASURES ASSURING INDEPENDENCE OF JUDICIARY. SPECIAL COURTS WILL BE ABOLISHED, AND CRIMES AGAINST STATE SECURITY WILL HENCEFORTH BE TRIED IN ORDINARY COURTS BY REGULAR JUDGES. JUDICIAL POLICE, NOT DGS, WILL PREPARE INDICTMENTS.

16. NEW ECONOMIC POLICIES WILL BE ESTABLISHED, EMPHASIZING MEASURES TO HELP LOWER INCOME GROUPS, AND WITH SPECIAL ATTENTION TO FIGHT AGAINST INFLATION AND HIGH COST OF LIVING. THIS POLICY "NECESSARILY WILL CALL FOR AN ANTI-MONOPOLIST STRATEGY". NEW SOCIAL POLICY ON BEHALF OF WORKER INTERESTS AND QUALITY LIFE FOR ALL PORTUGUESE WILL BE INSTITUTED.

17. FOREIGN POLICY WILL BE BASED ON RESPECT FOR PRINCIPLES OF INDEPENDENCE AND EQUALITY AMONG STATES, NON-INTERFERENCE IN OTHERS' INTERNAL AFFAIRS, AND DEFENSE OF PEACE. PORTUGUESE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS WILL BE EXPANDED AND DIVERSIFIED, AND BASED ON FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION. GOVERNMENT WILL RESPECT INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS DEVOLVING FROM EXISTING TREATIES.

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18. OVERSEAS POLICY, WHOSE FUNDMENTALS WILL BE UP TO NATION TO DEFINE, WILL BE BASED ON FOLLOWING PRINCIPLES:
A) RECOGNITION THAT SOLUTION TO OVERSEAS WAR IS POLITICAL AND NOT MILITARY; B) NEED CREATE CONDITIONS FOR FRANK AND OPEN DEBATE OF OVERSEAS PROBLEM AT NATIONAL LEVEL;
C) NEED PROMULGATE BASIS
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